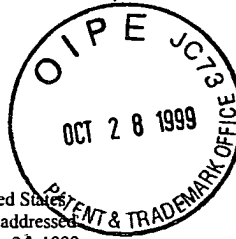


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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This Amendment is responsive to the Office action mailed September 28, 1999.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

At page 9, line 36, delete "12" and insert --13--.

At page 10, line 1, delete "11" and insert --12--.

At page 10, line 2, delete "12" and insert --13--.

At page 10, line 10, delete "13" and insert --12--.

At page 10, line 14, delete "13, and insert --12--.